(c) The total quantity and value of gold seized during the last three years is as under:—

Year	Quantity	Value
1991-1992	4665 Kgs.	Rs. 183.56 crores
1992-1993	2339 Kgs.	Rs. 95.75 crores
1993-1994	1464 Kgs.	Rs. 47.86 crores
(upto January, 1994)	(Provisional)	

(d) As per available reports, there has been a decline in the smuggling of gold.

(e) It is revieved from time to time.

Growing influence of heroin cartels

2681. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem caption "Growing influence of heroin cartels" which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 25th January, 1994;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Influence of heroin cartels in the State and Central level political circles have resulted in a situation where the anti-narcotic enforcement agencies have practically given up hope to initiate any counter measures; and

(c) if so, the details tereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHARA MURTHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. Production of Opium in the Country is regulated under strict licencing control and supervision of the Central Government. Various law enforcement agencies keep strict vigil over poppy cultivation and stringent penal measures are taken under the NDPS Act for any violation.

Strict instructions have been issued to all law enforcement agencies to curb illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. Training is being imparted to officers to improve their effectiveness. A part of Indo-Pak Border has been fenced. Vehicles and communication equipments have been provided to enforcement agencies.

Disinvestment of shares in public sector units

2682 DR NAUNIHAL SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided that the next round of disinvestment of shares in public sector undertakings (PSUs) will take place only after presentation of the 1994-95 Budget;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

(c) whether it is a fact that the first round of disinvestment will be completed before the end of the financial year on the 31st March, 1994;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the actual realisation from the PSU shares sale this year will be about Rs. 2,000 crores against Rs. 3,500 crores budgeted to be raised through such disinvestment in 1993-94; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) to (e) The process for the next round of disinvestment of PSUs is currently underway and the likely receipts are estimated at Rs. 2500 crores for the year.

बिहार में बोरिंग पम्पसैट घोटाला

2683. **श्री संघ प्रिय गौतम :** क्या **वित्त** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि एक पूर्व केन्द्रीय मंत्री ने अपने 22 फरवरी, 1994 के पत्र में बोरिंग पम्पसैट घोटाले में संलिप्त व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध कार्रवाई करने की मांग की है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो ने जांच के उपरांत आठ बैंक अधिकारियों और पैंतीस विक्रेताओं के विरूद्ध आरोप पत्र अदालत में दाखिल कर दिए थे; और

(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि उसके बाद दोषी लोगों के विरुद्ध कार्रवाई नहीं की गई; यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; क्या सरकार इस घोटाले की जांच संयुक्त संसदीय समिति से करवाने का विचार रखती है, यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० अबरार अहमद) : (क) से (घ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और यथा उपलब्ध सूचना सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी।

Concessions to labour intensive Inudstries

2684. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:
SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposed budget for 1994-95 has given any concessions to labour intensive industries producing the same commodities as produced by sophisticated industries;

(b) if so, the names of the labour intensive industries being benefitted and extent of benefits offred;

(c) whether the application of advalorem duty on cigrattes would bring more revenue;

(d) if so, to what extent giving the figures in quantum and percentage?

(e) why advalorem duty is not made applicable on cigarettes; and

(f) what is the expected accrual of revenue due to reccent proposed hike in excise on cigarettes and what is the expected decrease in revenue income by proposed reduction in non-filtered cigarettes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) and (b) The principal features of the proposals in